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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Polyethylene Terephthalate Film, Sheet, and Strip from the United Arab Emirates: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2016-2017

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of

Commerce

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that JBF RAK LLC (JBF) made sales of subject merchandise at less than normal value during the period of review (POR), November 1, 2016, through October 31, 2017.

DATES: [Insert date of publication in the *Federal Register*.]

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Commerce published the preliminary results of this administrative review on December 7, 2018. We invited interested parties to comment on the *Preliminary Results*. Commerce exercised its discretion to toll all deadlines affected by the partial federal government closure from December 22, 2018, through the resumption of operations on January 29, 2019. This

Countervailing Duty Operations, performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for

¹ See Polyethylene Terephthalate Film, Sheet, and Strip from the United Arab Emirates: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2016-2017, 83 FR 63157 (December 7, 2018) (Preliminary Results).

² See Memorandum to the Record from Gary Taverman, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and

extended the deadline for the final results to May 16, 2019. On February 19, 2019, Commerce received a case brief from DuPont Teijin Film, Mitsubishi Polyester Film, Inc., and SKC Inc. (collectively, the petitioners).³ No party filed a rebuttal brief.

Scope of the Order

The products covered by the order are all gauges of raw, pre-treated, or primed polyethylene terephthalate film (PET Film), whether extruded or co-extruded. Excluded are metallized films and other finished films that have had at least one of their surfaces modified by the application of a performance-enhancing resinous or inorganic layer more than 0.00001 inches thick. Also excluded is roller transport cleaning film which has at least one of its surfaces modified by application of 0.5 micrometers of SBR latex. Tracing and drafting film is also excluded. PET Film is classifiable under subheading 3920.62.00.90 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). While HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, our written description of the scope of the order is dispositive.

Analysis of Comments Received

All issues raised in the sole case brief filed in this review are addressed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum.⁴ A list of the topics discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum is appended to this notice. The Issues and Decision Memorandum is a public document and is available electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Services System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered

Enforcement and Compliance, "Deadlines Affected by the Partial Shutdown of the Federal Government," dated January 28, 2019. All deadlines in this segment of the proceeding affected by the partial federal government closure have been extended by 40 days.

³ See "Polyethylene Terephthalate Film, Sheet and Strip from the United Arab Emirates: Petitioners' Case Brief," dated February 19, 2019.

⁴ See Memorandum, "Antidumping Duty Administrative Review of Polyethylene Terephthalate Film, Sheet, and Strip from the United Arab Emirates: Issues and Decision Memorandum for the Final Results; 2016-2017" (Issues and Decision Memorandum), dated concurrently with and herby adopted by this notice.

users at *http://access.trade.gov*, and it is available to all parties in the Central Records Unit of the main Commerce Building, room B-8024. In addition, a complete version of the Issues and Decision Memorandum is also accessible on the internet at

http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/index.html. The signed Issues and Decision Memorandum and the electronic versions of the Issues and Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

<u>Changes Since the Preliminary Results</u>

Based on our analysis of the comments received, we made changes to our margin calculations for JBF. Specifically, we revised our calculation of per-unit cost adjustments for direct labor, variable overhead and fixed overhead costs.⁵ A complete discussion of this change can be found in the Issues and Decision Memorandum.

Final Results of Review

As a result of this review, we determine that the following weighted-average dumping margin for the manufacturer/exporter listed below exists for the period of November 1, 2016, through October 31, 2017:

Manufacturer/Exporter	Weighted-Average Dumping Margin (percent ad valorem)
JBF RAK LLC	70.75

Assessment Rates

Pursuant to section 751(a)(2)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1), Commerce shall determine, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries of subject merchandise in accordance

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⁵ See Issues and Decision Memorandum at 2-3.

with the final results of this review.⁶ Commerce intends to issue appropriate assessment instructions directly to CBP 15 days after the date of publication of these final results of review.

For JBF, we will calculate importer-specific *ad valorem* duty assessment rates based on the ratio of the total amount of dumping calculated for the importer's examined sales to the total entered value of those same sales in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1). We will instruct CBP to continue to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review when the importer-specific assessment rate calculated in the final results of this review is above *de minimis*. Where an importer-specific assessment rate is zero or *de minimis*, we will instruct CBP to liquidate the appropriate entries without regard to antidumping duties.

The final results of this review shall be the basis for the assessment of antidumping duties on entries of merchandise covered by the final results of this review and for future deposits of estimated duties, were applicable.

Cash Deposit Requirements

The following cash deposit requirements will be effective upon publication of the final results of this administrative review for all shipments of subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date of these final results, as provided by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) for JBF, the cash deposit rate will be equal to the weighted-average dumping margin listed above in the "Final Results of Review" section; (2) for merchandise exported by producers or exporters not covered in this review but covered in a previously completed segment of this proceeding, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published in the final results for the most recent period in which that producer or exporter participated; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review or in any

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⁶ Commerce applied the assessment rate calculation method adopted in *Antidumping Proceedings: Calculation of the Weighted-Average Dumping Margin and Assessment Rate in Certain Antidumping Proceedings: Final Modification*, 77 FR 8101 (February 14, 2012).

previous segment of this proceeding, but the producer is, then the cash deposit rate will be that established for the producer of the merchandise in these final results of review or in the final results for the most recent period in which that producer participated; and (4) if neither the exporter nor the producer is a firm covered in this review or in any previously completed segment of this proceeding, then the cash deposit rate will be 4.05 percent, the all-others rate established in the less than fair value investigation. These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

Disclosure

We will disclose to interested parties the calculations performed in connection with these final results within five days of the publication of this notice, consistent with 19 CFR 351.224(b). Notification to Importers

This notice serves as a final reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this POR. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in Commerce's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of doubled antidumping duties.

Administrative Protective Order

This notice is the only reminder to parties subject to the administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information disclosed under the APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3), which continues to govern business proprietary information in this segment of the proceeding. Timely written notification of the return or destruction of APO materials, or conversion to judicial protective order, is hereby

⁷ See Polyethylene Terephthalate Film, Sheet, and Strip from Brazil, the People's Republic of China and the United Arab Emirates: Antidumping Duty Orders and Amended Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value for the United Arab Emirates, 73 FR 66595, 66596 (November 10, 2008).

requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and the terms of an APO is a violation subject to sanction.

Notification to Interested Parties

We are issuing and publishing these final results and this notice in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h).

Christian Marsh,
Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Enforcement and Compliance.

May 1, 2019.		
Date		

Appendix

List of Topics Discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum

I. SummaryII. BackgroundIII. Scope of the OrderIV. Discussion of Comment

Comment: JBF's Cost of Production

V. Recommendation

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